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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION OF JANUARY 8, 2007

Dear Sir:

Applicant responds to the Official Action mailed in the captioned application on January 8, 2007 in timely fashion as follows. In the event any check or authorization to charge credit card in the amount of any necessary fees was not properly executed, was not included with this Response and/or was insufficient in amount, or for any other reason this Response is not considered timely filed, request is hereby made for an extension of the time for the period necessary to ensure consideration of this Response and the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0965 (PISA,015) in the amount of any necessary fee.

The Official Action mailed January 8, 2007 attached a Form PTOL-324 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. 1.121) noting that claims 21-27 of Applicant's Response to Official Action of June 7, 2006 were incorrectly identified as new claims even though they had been previously presented (specifically, they were added to the case in Applicant's Response to Official Action of June 29, 2005). So that the Examiner will be able to consider Applicant's previous Response without having to look back and forth between this submission and the previous Response, Applicant has simply reproduced Applicant's Response to Official Action of June 7, 2006 (correcting the erroneous indication of the status of claims 21-27) in this Response.